

## **CMS Diversity Summer Internship Program**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announces a 12-week Diversity Summer Internship Program for college and university students. CMS is the Federal agency that administers the Medicare, Medicaid, and State Children's Health Insurance Programs. The purpose of the Diversity Summer Internship Program is to enhance students' knowledge about CMS programs, mission, vision and goals. Additionally, the program seeks to familiarize participants about Federal, State, and local health care programs serving underserved and uninsured populations. This 12-week program is offered to college/university students of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) descent, and to students attending Hispanic Serving Institutions or of Hispanic descent, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), and Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs). The program, developed by CMS, is consistent with the goals and objectives for the Hispanic Agenda for Action, and the AAPI, HBCU, and TCU Initiatives.

### **Dates of Employment**

Students may begin the program as early as May 15, 2006. The date the student begins the program will determine when the 12-week appointment ends. All appointments must be completed by September 8, 2006.

### **Eligibility and Application Process**

In order to qualify, students **MUST** meet one of the following requirements:

- a student of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) descent
- a student attending a Hispanic Serving Institution or of Hispanic descent
- a student attending a Historically Black College and University (HBCUs), or a Tribal College and University (TCUs)

Only applications from students who are U.S. citizens will be accepted for this program. All applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 and a minimum of 60 credits as of May 19, 2006, in majors relating to the health care and/or management field (e.g. computer science, business administration, allied health, health science, accounting, social science, and/or statistics). A student's application package must contain a detailed resume (including social security number, date of birth and citizenship) and a transcript. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the Department of Health & Human Services Applicant Background Survey ([http://www.cdc.gov/hrmo/OMB\\_form.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/hrmo/OMB_form.htm)) and submit it with their application package. Students must also indicate the date they will be available to begin the program, if selected. The requested materials must be mailed to the 2006 Diversity Summer Internship Program, Attention: Marla Lazarus, Mail Stop C2-13-13, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244.

### **Deadline for Submitting Applications**

To be considered for the program, applications must be postmarked by Friday, May 19, 2006.

**Salary and Place of Employment**

The salary is approximately \$12-\$13 per hour for a 40-hour workweek. This amount may vary in some areas according to the locality pay for specific regions. Interns are responsible for their own living arrangements and transportation costs. Employment opportunities are available at CMS sites in Boston, Massachusetts; New York City, New York; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; Dallas, Texas; Kansas City, Missouri; Denver, Colorado; San Francisco, California; Seattle, Washington; Miami, Florida; and San Juan, Puerto Rico. Employment site preference(s) should be indicated on the student's resume. Selected students will be responsible for costs incurred should they relocate to participate in the program.

**CMS Contact**

If you have any questions about the summer program, please contact Marla Lazarus at MLazarus@cms.hhs.gov or at 410-786-7817. Thank you for your interest in the 2006 Diversity Summer Internship Program.